

# Hill Country Women in Business

June 2007 Newsletter



## Upcoming Events

Friday June 1, 2007  
HCWIB Board Meeting  
The Huckabay Agency  
Allstate Insurance  
1411 South Main St  
Boerne, TX 78006  
830-249-2987  
12pm, BYO Lunch

Thursday June 14, 2007  
5:30 PM  
HCWIB Membership Drive  
and Social honoring Charter  
Members and Past Presi-  
dents.  
To be held at  
Carolyn Dutton's home 126  
Kendall Ridge.  
For directions call 981-8409.  
RSVP to Shari Keyes by  
June 12<sup>th</sup> 5pm. Email  
[skeyes35@msn.com](mailto:skeyes35@msn.com) or call  
210-478-6611

Dinner is \$17.00.  
Guests are Free.

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June Menu  
Beef & Chicken Fajitas,  
Beans, Rice, Guacamole,  
Chips & Queso. Served with  
margaritas, wine, soft drinks  
and dessert

Remember, cancellations  
and 'no shows' will be billed.

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## **June Birthdays!!!!**

June 26<sup>th</sup> - Jeanne Buchanan  
June 27<sup>th</sup> - Shea Ash

## Carolyn's Corner

Happy Summer to everyone!

June is Membership month so let's all do our best to invite prospective members to the social on the 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be swimming, hula hoops, water gun fights, other games and prizes, as well as a Fajita dinner sponsored by some very generous members.

It's been 22 years since HCWIB was founded. We have many new members that would love to know more about the history of our organization therefore in combination with our membership drive, we will also be honoring HCWIB Charter members and Past Presidents. Join us in expressing our appreciation to these remarkable women for all they've done for HCWIB and the community!

If the laughter and sound levels were any indication, I'd say the May luncheon was a huge success! Ladies, you do

love to network and it warms my heart to see so much merriment in one place. It's especially rewarding to visit with those of you that are unable to make the evening meetings and to hear how pleased you are that we offer lunch meetings once a quarter. Also, special thanks go to Shari Keyes for making all of the arrangements.

Remember prospective members are no charge at the June meeting so call Shari Keyes with reservations for you and your guest, and get ready for an entertaining "kick off" to the summer season. Come join us and have some fun!

See you soon,  
Carolyn



## Christian Women's Job Corps

By Leah Coyne

Tuesday, May 15th, nine CWJC graduates, stood in front of a crowd of friends, family, alumni, volunteers and well-wishers to comment on just what their last twelve weeks meant to them. There were tears, laughter, and a lot of hugs in the First Baptist Church sanctuary. Some of these women started their new jobs the very next day, some are interviewing, some continue to find their niche.

On August 27th, the Fall Class of 2007 begins with yet another group of ladies who have made a commitment to a twelve week program in order to change their lives for the better. If you know of any female that might need "a change of direction" or if you are feeling a nudge to help someone, somewhere, sometime, visit [www.cwjckendallcounty.org](http://www.cwjckendallcounty.org) and click on "Applications".

A HUGE thank you to all that volunteered in any way during the Fall 2006 and Spring 2007 Classes. I am honored to be affiliated with such a dynamic group of business women. You never know what even the smallest gesture may accomplish.



### Members on the Move

*Cynthia McKenna, LPC, NCC, Counseling and Life Coaching, will be presenting a workshop, "Secrets to finding and keeping a good relationship" Wed, June 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm at Northside ISD, 110 NLC Classroom B 104 6632 Bandera Rd. Cost: \$15. <http://www.nisd.net/ace/> Contact Susie Underwood 210-397-8100*

*Kay Ochoa, Hill Country Tutoring Services, spent May 18-19 at the Family Educators' Alliance of South Texas Book Fair and Convention in San Antonio. The workshops focused on teaching mathematics and creative writing. Kay returned to Boerne with great ideas for her summer program including using literature to encourage student writing and using specially designed manipulatives to help students "see" the concepts behind algebra.*

*Rodda Yates-Dunham, Yates and Associates Insurance Agency, is celebrating one year in Boerne. The office has moved to a new location with more space at 926 East Blanco.*

## Member in the Spotlight Phyllis Baacke, Premier Designs 830-331-9013

Phyllis Baacke has a fun job! She teaches women how to accessorize their wardrobes and she's an independent distributor for Premier Designs high fashion jewelry. "Our image speaks volumes about us, but many people need help in understanding the basics of a polished look. Looking stylish has nothing to do with dress size, height or weight. It's about being the best 'you' you can be! Investing a little time in how we 'package' ourselves makes a big difference."

Several years ago Phyllis was thinking about how she wanted to spend the rest of her working career. She worked in corporate America most of her life, and it just wasn't fun any longer. One thing she knew for sure is that if you do the same thing, you get the same thing and she knew she wanted something different. About that time, a co-worker invited her to a jewelry show at her home. "After hearing the presentation, a whisper told me that I should do this business. Never in a million years did I ever think I'd do something like this- I didn't wear jewelry other than a ring and a watch, so this was a real stretch for me."

"I love having my own business, being my own boss, serving my customers and sharing the business opportunity with others so they too can have their own business. I've been in this business for four years and for the last year I've lived in Boerne. This was truly a leap of faith moving from Houston to Boerne, and I have met many wonderful people in the Hill Country and my business continues to grow."

Phyllis offers in-home jewelry shows for you and your friends, personal consultations to help you understand the importance of accessories in your wardrobe and office showings during a lunch hour.

You can receive hundreds of dollars of free jewelry; just for having your own private showing...it's easy and fun! She would love to get to know you and help you with any of your accessorizing needs, including sharing the business opportunity available through Premier Designs. If you would like more information, please contact Phyllis at 830-331-9013.

## Many Thanks

go out to Lynn Hoppe of LP Computer Services, HCWIB webmaster. Lynn and her family will be moving to Tennessee this summer, however has offered to continue to be the HCWIB webmaster for the remainder of the year. She will still have the same email so members can update their information by emailing her directly at [lynn@lpcomputerservices.com](mailto:lynn@lpcomputerservices.com). Lynn, we all wish you the very best in your new home and as always, Thanks for making the HCWIB website such a great success

## Chaplain Chimes

Please keep in your prayers:

Deanne Baker's sister, Arlene who had surgery. They have a follow up appointment with the oncologist to get final results and treatment plans.

For all to have a safe and happy graduation and holiday weekend.

Doc Laird, a wonderful special man who was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer that has already spread to his liver. Please pray that God takes him home without great pain.

Patrice Davison, who underwent hand surgery on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Anyone wishing to help with dinners for Patrice & Chip can get in touch with Suzann Woodward for the meal schedule. Patrice, we wish you a speedy recovery!



## Members on the Move

### Lucy Ziegler LLC.

Extensive restoration work is about to begin on the building Lucy has called my "Office Home" for the past couple of years. The Philip Manor at 706 S. Main St. is scheduled for an extreme make-over that will include interior and exterior work aimed at bringing new life to this historic building. She will temporarily be moving to 114 Oak Park (next to Subway Sandwiches and in front of the office center that looks like log cabins on Main St). She plans to be moved by Mon June 4. Please call or come by when you're going through town and take note of the new address. New website and email: [www.boernetherapy.com](http://www.boernetherapy.com) [lucy@boernetherapy.com](mailto:lucy@boernetherapy.com)

Amy Anderson, Shutter - Happy Photography, will be celebrating a three-year anniversary in June! She will also be starting a garage remodel for her new office and studio.

Phyllis Baacke of Premier Designs became a member of the Premier Designs President's Club 2007 for being in the top 5% in sales for the company

# General Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2007

By Lucy K. Ziegler, Secretary

The quarterly lunch meeting was held at Naples Restaurant and began at 12:05. There were 24 members present. One guest, Shelby Luke, with Rearrangements by Shelby, was introduced by her host, Bobbie French.

The invocation was given by Leah Coyne with special attention for Terry Essman's son, Corey & Deanne Baker's sister. Door prize was donated by Helene Bachmann and won by Gayle Eason. Happy Birthday was sung for all those celebrating birthdays in May.

Carolyn Dutson announced that Alena Morris has accepted the committee chair for Publicity chairperson as a replacement for Deanne Baker and that Lynn Hoppe, though moving, will continue to be HCWIB's webmaster for the remainder of this term. A correction to Shari Keyes email address for RSVP's for meetings was noted: [skeyes35@msn.com](mailto:skeyes35@msn.com). Leah Coyne was announced as committee chair for Charitable Donations.

Treasurer, Kathy Hubbard, announced there is \$5,476.49 in the bank account. She will also be sending final courtesy notices to all outstanding dues or lunch bills.

The Membership Drive and Social is scheduled for June 14 to be held at President, Carolyn Dutson's home. Past Presidents and Prospective member Guests will be honored at no cost. Membership cost will be \$17.00. Food and Drink for The Mexican Fiesta Swim Party will be sponsored by the following members:  
Misty Thomas - queso and chips  
Jeanne Buchanan and Lucy Ziegler - Drinks  
Patrice Davison & Carolyn Dutson - Fajitas  
Jessica Cullitan - Guacamole  
Shari Keyes and Linda Tom - Margaritas

Marie Hicks - Beans

Mardi Collins and Sarah Hamilton - Rice  
Carolyn Fosdick & Debi Lamb - Dessert

Program for July will be member, Jessica Cullitan of Dream Dinners. Other topics topping the survey included: Water to Wine, Kiss the Cook, and Home Décor.

Next Board Meeting is June 1, at Sharon Huckabay's Allstate Insurance @ 12noon.

## Great Job, Ladies!

Kudos go out to our phone committee-- Telephone chairperson Cindy Ogle and her committee Marlene Ring, Helen Bachmann, Karen Daly, Marie Hicks, Lorrie Hengel, and Kathy Webster have been working hard and are doing a fantastic job connecting with our HCWIB members. Thanks for your efforts!

Please Note:

Alena Morris has assumed 2007 HCWIB Publicity chair duties.

## Just Married

Renee Hinson of Renee Hinson Insurance Agency, became Mrs. Renee Hinson-Gibbs on May 5, 2007. She and her husband, Dustin honeymooned in Maui.



Congratulations,  
Renee and Dustin!!  
We're wishing you  
both the very best!!

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## Listen to the PROs

Business tips provided by our own HCWIB members!

Research shows that, in general, women make better investors than men! The reasons are that:

- They seek good information
- They follow good advice
- They DO NOT take action when uncertain
- They make financial decisions with their head, rather than their heart

Women often "sense" financial danger (ie feelings) while their male partner continues to be overly confident or unaware of "the facts". This often prompts them to get better information. While this is not ALL women, it is true often because women understand that they will outlive their husbands, and that we run out of money at the END of retirement, hopefully not the beginning.

Happily, mastering money is MUCH easier than being a mom, teacher, nurse, executive or business owner. The greatest problem is selecting a reliable source and understanding that, as women, we are very well equipped to Master Money.

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From Financial Self Defense--WOMEN RULE. By Mardi Collins, Ventures International.

## June Calendar of Events

Mark your calendars!! Hill Country Women in Business (HCWIB), Boerne Chamber of Commerce (CC)

June 1- HCWIB Board Meeting, The Huckabay Agency, 12pm

June 7- Business After Hours Mixer hosted by Access Storage, 105 Shooting Club Rd, 5p-7p (CC)

June 14-- Membership Drive and Social honoring Charter Members and Past Presidents (HCWIB)

June 21-Cheeseburger in Paradise Party, Tapatio Springs Resort, 630pm (CC)

June 22-Sandy Sanderson Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament, Tapatio Springs Resort (CC)

## 2007 Officers and Committee Members

President: Carolyn Dutson 830-981-8445

Vice President: Leah Coyne 830-537-5658

Secretary: Lucy Ziegler 830-249-4777  
Treasurer: Kathy Hubbard 830-248-1222

X-Officio: Jeanne Buchanan 830-249-9566

Hospitality/Reservations: Shari Keyes 210-478-6611

Membership: Sharon Huckabay 830-249-2987

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Programs: Misty Thomas 830-249-2246

Publicity: Alena Morris 830-248-1263  
Telephone: Cindy Ogle 210-317-6272

Chaplain: Pam Lewis 830-249-6305

Website: Lynn Hoppe 210-568-3618

And even more Members on the Move...

*Sarah Hamilton*, owner of Access Storage, will be having a Chamber Mixer Thursday June 7th, 5pm-7pm at Access Storage--105 Shooting Club Rd, Boerne. For directions, call her office 830-249-3050 or visit

[www.accessstorageboerne.com](http://www.accessstorageboerne.com) and click on the map link. Sarah hopes to see you all there to enjoy the food, beer and wine, and great music by Mystic Sister!



*More Members on the Move:*

*Lucy Ziegler LLC* will be presenting a workshop on "Dating Bill of Rights and Sexual Assault Trauma" on Monday June 4, 2007, 6:00 - 8:00 pm, at Stevens High School, Room 022, 600 Ellison N., San Antonio. Class fee is \$12.00. Register by calling 210.397.8103.

*Alena Morris*, Prestige Carpet and Floor Cleaning, is expanding services to include a house cleaning division! Alena will start serving clients in June and time slots will be limited in the beginning. Interested persons should call ASAP.

*Kathy Webster* has announced that Connections Speech-Language Therapy is now able to bill your health insurance company for speech therapy services. Connections is an in-network provider for Blue Cross Blue Shield, TriCare, United Healthcare, and Community First Health plans. Traditional Medicaid patients are also accepted.

*Julie Galvan*, Home Instead Senior Care, is celebrating a second anniversary and is currently servicing over 100 seniors in Kendall County.

